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SUBJECT: LETTERS FROM TREASURY SECRETARY SIMON

1. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO TRANSMIT FOLLOWING LETTERS TO MINISTER OF STATE AND CHAIRMAN OF CENTRAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION HISHAM NAZER AND TO MINISTER OF STATE FOR FINANCIAL AFFAIRS MUHAMMED ABA AL-KHAIL. SIGNED ORIGINALS BEING HAND CARRIED BY LEWIS BOWDEN WHEN HE ARRIVES IN SAUDI ARABIA.

2. LETTER TO HISHAM NAZER:

QUOTE DEAR HISHAM:

GERRY PARSKY AND I DISCUSSED HIS RECENT TRIP TO SAUDI ARABIA AND HIS MEETING WITH YOU, AND I BELIEVE REAL PROGRESS IS BEING MADE. I AM VERY MUCH LOOKING FORWARD TO THE COMMISSION MEETING HERE IN WASHINGTON ON FEBRUARY 26-27. IN THIS CONNECTION, I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS A POSSIBILITY THAT YOUR SCHEDULE MIGHT NOT PERMIT YOU TO PARTICIPATE. I KNOW HOW MUCH YOU WOULD ADD TO THE MEETINGS, AND I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I PERSONALLY HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO BE HERE. IF YOU CAN ATTEND, I WOULD LIKE YOU TO JOIN ME FOR DINNER AT MY HOME ON FEBRUARY 26.

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I HOPE ALL IS WELL AND THAT YOU CAN BE WITH US IN FEBRUARY.
SINCERELY, WILLIAM E. SIMON UNQUOTE.

3. LETTER TO MUHAMMED ABA AL-KHAIL:

QUOTE DEAR MR. MINISTER:

I WAS VERY PLEASED TO LEARN THAT YOU WILL HEAD THE SAUDI
DELEGATION TO OUR FIRST JOINT ECONOMIC COMMISSION MEETING
HERE IN WASHINGTON, FEBRUARY 26-27.

GERRY PARSKY BRIEFED ME ON HIS RECENT TRIP WHICH CERTAINLY
SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN VERY PRODUCTIVE. HE HAS BEEN WORKING
VERY HARD ON THIS EFFORT, AND WE ARE BOTH DETERMINED THAT
THE FIRST SESSION OF THE JOINT COMMISSION WILL BE A
SUCCESSFUL ONE AND THAT IT WILL SET THE FRAMEWORK FOR
EVEN STRONGER TIES BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES. I AM LOOKING
FORWARD TO THE MEETINGS AND TO SEEING YOU AGAIN, AND
WOULD LIKE IT VERY MUCH IF YOU WOULD PLAN TO HAVE DINNER
IN MY HOME ON THE EVENING OF FEBRUARY 26.

PLEASE GIVE MY BEST TO ALL MY FRIENDS IN SAUDI ARABIA.
SINCERELY, WILLIAM E. SIMON UNQUOTE. KISSINGER

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